LAST HONORS TO DEAD FIRE CHIEF

Two Hundred Members of the Force Accompany the Body of Martin H. Coleman to Church and Grave.

MENTAT ENGINE HOUSES PAY TRIBUTE TO THE HERO

Enormous Crowds Filled the **4Streets as Funeral Procession** Passed—Mgr. Edwards Eulojized Dead Fireman.

The funeral of Battalion Chief Martin H. Coleman, the hero of the Mott street fire, which took place this mornmaculate Conception on East Fourteenth srvice there, went to Calvary Cemetery a circuitous route, passing several houses, where the fire companie ined up to pay a last tribute to the emory of the dead man.

All the morning the body lay in state in the parlor of the Coleman home at No. 306 East Fourteenth street. Those who wanted to view the remains were allowed to enter the house by the front and leave by a rear door. In all son 5,000 people availed themselves of the opportunity to take a last look at the an who so cheerfully gave up his life to his sense of duty.

Dressed in Full Uniform The body was attired in the full uni form of a battalion chief and on the breast was pinned the Bennett medal which the conspicuous bravery of the dead man on other occasions won him a year ago. The body rested in a plain black casket in the parlor at the foot of which was Coleman's uniform

The room was literally full of flowers emong them a cross of autumn leaves and roses from Truck No. 11, a wreath of pink and white roses from Chief Burns, a wreath of white roses from Chief Bronson, the millionaire commander of the celebrated Larchmont Fire Department, a wreath of autumn leaves and roses from Simon Brentano well-known "Buff," a column of aumn leaves and roses from the em loyees of Hermann & Company, in the destruction of whose building Coleman tost his life; a cross of pink and white ses from Truck No. 3, a similar cross from the employees of the Dewey The corss of roses surmounted by a dove from Engine Company N. 5 and a small bunch of white roses from Dollie, Coleman's youngest child.

There was an enormous crowd around the house when the body was carried out, but it was an orderly crowd, and every head was bared when the pallre appeared carrying the casket

Chief Burns Led Honor Guard. The guard of honor, seventy-five of the most intimate personal associates of the dead Chief, formed around the hearse, led by Chief Burns. In addition to these men there were some 200 other fremen in the procession who took a wantage of their day off to pay a last

tribute to their dead friend. At the church, which was crowded, a mass for the dead was said. It was celebrated by Rev. Frank Barry, assisted by Fathers Hughes and Dean and the pastor of the church, Mgr. Edwards. Acting Chief Kruger, Deputy Chief Ahearn, Commissioner Sturgis and Secretary William Leary were among those who walked to the church from the house and they were followed by an chormous crowd. It was a solemn ocession. As it passed the house of Company No. 5. at Fourteenth street and First avenue, the engine and tender, draped in deep black, were brought out and the entire company lined up on the curb with bared heads.

At the church there was so great a crowd that the police had difficulty in making a way for the funeral party to get through. Every seat, save those reserved for the children and relatives of the dead man, was occupied, and the aisles were fairly jammed with people. The four children of the dead chief, orphaned by the fire in which he lost his life, came in after the funcral party hand in hand, and as they took their seats sobs were heard all No Appropriation Made for Rich. over the church.

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Mass for the Dead.

The service began with the celebration of a mass by the Rev. Frank Barry, assisted by Fathers Hughes and Dean. sisted by Fathers Hughes and Dean. At the conclusion of the mass, Mgr. Edwards, the pastor of the church, and and a life long friend of the dead man, preached a brief sermon in eulogy of his life.

"Tails man who now lies dead before you," said Mgr. Edwards, "was in every sense of the word a Christian man—a control of the word a chris

man of Christian courage. He was a man who, so far as we know of his life, was not afraid to face his Maker. He was a model husband, a model father, a model fireman. His first thought was Singed McCray. ever of his duty-his duty to the de-

is duty to the religion in which he believed.

"He was an attendant of this church; the knelt at its altar and received the sacrament. He was a God-fearing man and not afraid to face his Maker. That is Christian courage. Let it be a warning to you all, his comrades, to draw the line between what true bravery means and the believen what true bravery means and the believe the same window he hear the suspension occurred. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the Hathted on his head. In summing up the damages, McCray tourned his head singed and his bushy eyesrows gone. No bones were fractured by the believe the same window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the damages. McCray was propelled thirty feet out of a rear window the Hathted on his head singed and his bushy tourned his head singed and his bushy by eyesrows gone. No bones were fractured.

WAR PRIZE A PRISON SHIP.

VALLEJO, Cal. Dec. 24.—The Manila will be commissioned in a few days, moored near the receiving ship Independence, and placed

ENORMOUS CROWDS IN THE STREET WATCHING THE FUNERAL OF BRAVE FIRE CHIEF MARTIN H. COLEMAN.



WIFE ASKS FOR \$5,000 ALIMONY

Separation Makes Charges of Cruelty-Husband Enters a General Denial.

Application was made before Justice Fitzgerald in the Supreme Court to-day for \$5,000 alimony and suitable counse fees in a suit for separation brought by Florence Thayer Smith against Arthur L. J. Smith. Mrs. Smith makes general charges o

cruelty, using the words "very refine The couple were married in Washington ten years ago, and moved to Brooklyn three years after marriage, living

at 110 Prospect Park, West. They are now living together, it being a house divided within itself. In affidavits submitted Mrs. Smith

says that the household expenses are bout \$10,000 a year, and that her hus band's income is \$50,000 a year. They have one child. Smith was connected with the New

York Life Insurance Company for many years. He makes a general denial of he charges. Justice Fitzgerald reserved decision.

Intends to Personally Settle with however, and his counsel, Mr. Hart, did the Congregation of the Propaganda Several Important Pending Questions.

ROME, Dec. 24.-Archbishop Farley, of New York, is expected to visit Rome in 1904, to personally settle with the Congregation of the Propaganda several pending questions, including the appoint ment of an Auxiliary Bishop of New York, and particulars concerning the conscoration of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York.

CORONER HAS NO MONEY.

mond Borough.

When the Board of Estimate and Apportionment made its appropriations for 1904 the Board members forgot all about the existence of a Coroner in

MATCH FOUND THE GAS LEAK.

Singed McCray.

ever of his duty—his duty to the department in which he served so long; iversal Club, of Brooklyn, went in search his duty to the religion in which he believed.

HUSBAND WANTS HIS WIFE'S WAGES

Mrs. Arthur L. Smith in Suit for Warren L. Frost, Earning \$9 Weekly, Is Paying Her \$4, but Says He Really Can't Af-

> Mrs. Katherine Frost may have t bey her alimony and send the rest of her salary as a "maid" in a trading stamp store to her husband, Warren L. Frost. Frost says his wife earns more than he does, and that he is entitled to all her earnings, as her husband, under the common law. At least that is what his awyer, Emanuel I. S. Hart, will contend when he is heard by Judge McMahon in General Sessions on his appeal from the Magistrate's order compelling Frost to

pay his wife \$4 a week. Frost is employed as a guard on the Elevated railway, and his earnings are only \$7 to \$9 a week, while Mrs. Frost earns \$10 weekly salary. She charges him with abandonment and non-support. He says that, after living many years with her folks in One Hundred and Fortieth street, his wife disappeared last July, and did not return until October. In the mean time he removed his be ongings to another flat.

"But," Frost says, "she never came here and I claim that she abandoned

Magistrate Baker aid he must pay \$4 a week to her, nevertheless. So Frest

Now, when he gave that bond, under the law, he barred himself from an ap-peal to be relieved of the order to pay the allowance. He had the right to apply for a reduction of the allowance, Court. Judge McMahon granted the appeal and it will be heard next week in

the Court of General Sessions. Then Mr. Hart will spring the common law point that Frost is entitled to his wife's earnings and demand that she deduct the weekly allowance from her salary and send the balance to her husband.

BOYS HELD AS BURGLARS.

broken. He heard people walking about inside. They entered, and found about \$200 worth of clothing tied up for removal, and later found that \$30 in silver had been stolen from the cash register.

Taylor was found on the second floor, where Phelan went after him. When Taylor saw Phelan he opened the window and jumped to the sidewalk, Phelan after him. Taylor was chassed to a basement at Ninetieth street and Lexington avenue.

The other man, Cruthers, was found in the main store, and offerging resistance. The \$50 which had been stolen from the cash register was found later in Cruthers's possession. \$200 worth of clothing tied up for remov-

HAD HUSBAND ARRESTED.

Mrs. William T. Lord Said He Abandosed Her.

May F. Lord, of No. 234 Covert street, E. Prooklyn, had her husband. William T. Lord, arraigned to-day if the Gates avenue Police Court. She said he abandosed Her.

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SINGER STOLE WHILE STARVING

of Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir, Pleads Guilty to Larceny Charge.

The sending of Florence Pilgrim, unti short time ago a singer in the choir of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, to the Tomos was a godsen to her and her mother. The daugh ter was visited in her cell daily by her mother and there divided with her her little portion of the prison food; and were sustained.

Florence Pilgrim, twenty-two years overheard Dr. Percy Malcolm, of No. 48 East Twenty-sixth street, order a bill of goods to be charged to him. She went to another part of the store and selected a skirt and a feather boa, mounting to \$48, said she was Dr. Maipim's daughter and ordered the goods harged to her father. She pawned the

however, and his counsel, Mr. Hart, did came to the counsel, Mr. Hart, did town three years ago. Miss Pigrin this, in order to get into the Appellate town three years ago. Miss Pigrin that a fine voice and she came to take

where the people did not dress so fine.

Then the landlord came around and

MOODY MERRILL DIES A FUGITIVE

Miss Florence Pilgrim, Formerly Financier and Politician Who Lived a Double Life While Detectives Sought Him Met Death in New Mexico.

> (Special to The Evening World.)
> BOSTON, Dec. 24.—Moody Merrill, acused of embezziement, and a fugitive is dead, according to a telegram re elved in Boston to-day by his son, Wir throp M. Merrill. The despatch stated before him on Saturday next with that Mr. Merrill had died at 10 o'clock this morning at Silver City, N. M. The notice of the death of Merrill was

the first information received in Boston old, thinky but neatly dressed, was in of his whereabouts since he failed to a big Broadway store on Dec. 12 when appear in October to answer to indictments against him charging embezzle-At that time he defaulted his bond of \$10,000.

Although all of his interests were in Silver City, where he had been President of the Silver City National Bank. the euthorities were unable to tain that he was there. District-Attor-

charged to he pawned the goods, and a few days later she returned to the store to gat a spool of
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Legislater at Washingten.

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Then the landiord came around and said that if they couldn't pay their rent they would have to get out. Miss Pilting single street they would have to get out. Miss Pilting successfully eluded the vigilance of the desperation of her condition and that of her mother, went to the big that of her mother, went to the big the desperation of her condition and that of her mother, went to the big the desperation of her condition and that of her mother, went to the big the desperation of her delegates from the territory of New Mexico to Washington to advocate the Statehood bill, and he was one of the Board of Regents of the Territorial Normal School. Legislator at Washington.

for food at least. And that was where she fell.

This story was told to Judge Mc. Mahon in the Court of General Sessions to-day by Miss Elliott and by Agent Kimball, of the Prison Aid Society. Miss Pilgrim insisted on pleading guilty, saying there was no need of adding lying to larceny, and the Judge said:

"I am going to parole you in the custody of Mrs. Martin, a good woman who will look to your future."

Mrs. Martin is a member of the Society of Friends at Court, and lives at No. 105 East Twenty-ninth street. She hurried Miss Pilgrim and her mother from court, saying that the less said of the Territorial Normal School. In Washington he came face to face with men he had formerly met as Moody Merrill. But they did not recognize Charles F. Grayson as the embession of a mining engineer whom Merrili had known in his early days. Merrill knew something of mining engineer whom Merrili had known in his early days. Merrill had kn

FIGHT TO RELEASE ALLEGED RIPPER

Attorneys for Emil Totterman, Accused of Killing Sarah Martin, Have Asked for a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

Attorneys for Emil Totterman, knows n connection with the murder of Sarah Martin as "Jack the Ripper," to-day secured from Justice Scott in the Sureme Court a writ of habeas corpus irecting the production of the accused view of demanding his release on the ground that the Constitution does not permit the commitment of a person on knowledge and belief.

The petition on which the writ was ssued was made by Lawyer Frederick E. Goldsmith, who set forth that Emil Totterman is confined in the City Prison on an alleged charge of homicide in causing the death of Sarah Martin on Sunday evening, Dec. 20. The commitment was made by Coroner Jackson on

for the Actors' Fund.

"Yours merrily, John Rogers," will have to look elsewhere to be paid for the famous "Cleveland gem," for which \$20,000, as Justice Davis decided to-day from their cells in Castle William. favor of the Actors' Fund in the suit

Garden, in 1892, to be raffled, he to get half the proceeds. The gem was held by Charles L. Searle

ONE SECRET OF BOX MYSTERY IS SOLVED

Contest Over William Moore Will Brings Out Statement that Testator Was the Son of "William Van Rensselaer."

the wealthy Glens Falls lumberman, to of vagrancy.

the "Van Rensselaer" estate was parting in the contest of his will before Surrogate Jepkins.

It was stated vaguely that he was "the son of William Van Rensselaer."

All other details were withheld.

Moore left an estate of \$200,000, which was distributed among his widow, daughter and grandson and others.

There was also a bequest which gave to the grandson the "Van Rensselaer estate," with the statement that a full explanation regarding it would be found in his safe deposit box in the vaults of the Glens Falls National Bank.

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Castle William.

Manhattan is being searched to-day Berlin Notes American's Arrival by squads of armed soldiers from Governor's Island for two of three military he says Fannie Kimball offered him prisoners who escaped late last night

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LEFT TO STARVE

Mary Mooney Tells a Pitiful Story of Desertion by Man Whom She Accuses of Living a Double Life.

HIS WIFE AND BABES ONLY FEW DOORS AWAY.

Deserted Mother Declares that She Was Lured from Her Home by Promise of Marriage Which Was Never, Kept.

herself and her children and the esertion of the man who had wronged Mooney told a story in forrisan'a Police Court to-day that rell. Investigation showed that un-the name of Murray this man had een living in the Borough of the Bronz or eight years with the Mooney waman, while a few blocks away he had a wife,

Mary Mooney walked into the Mooris-nia police station last night and said but she wanted the police to find her usband, Charles Murray, who had deried her. She lived, she said, but No. 245 Webster avenue with her three callen, Andrew, aged four; Emily, aged two, and Adecide, two months old, the floor unconscious.

anon Hospital, and Dr. Rosenberg, after an examination, said that the woman starving. While he was reviving er Detectives Murtha and Kern were urrying to the address she had given. They found the three children in oom in the rear of a cellar occupied as a kindling wood and coal store by two Italians. The little boy was unconscious on a table, while the little girl was holding the baby. None of the children had sufficient clothing to keep them warm and there was no fire in the stove.

Detectives Fed the Children. Murtha went out for milk and food, while Kern hunted up the janitress, who has a little baby of her own. She was able to satisfy temporarily the hunger of the baby, and the detectives warmed and fed the other children until they took bundled up in borrowed clothing and car GLENS FALLS, N. Y., Dec. 24.-The ried to the station-house, where, the elationship of the late William Moore, were kept all night on a technical charge

KAISER MAY RECEIVE BRYAN.

and Entertainments Planned.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.-William J. Bryan arrived here to-day from St. Petersburg and was met by Dr. Otto Ahrendt, Rogers brought.

Rogers, who was the husband of Minnie Palmer, alleged that he entrusted the diamond to the managers of the Actors' Fund Fair at Madison Square

One was captured before he was twentended to the prison, but the other two were brought to Manhattan in a rowboat, which had wafted for the men outside of the castle. The two men are declared to be dangerous men. Military prisoners carry letters stamped on their backs. A white "P" means that the content of the castle.